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## Pumpkin Cupcakes

## Ingredients

- 120g plain flour
- 80g caster sugar
- 7tbsp baking powder
- $11 / 2$ tsp ground cinnamon
- 120 ml whole milk
- 40 g unsalted butter (at room temperature)
- 2 eggs
- 200 g can pumpkin puree
- 180 g cream cheese


## Method

1) Preheat your oven to $170^{\circ} \mathrm{C}\left(325^{\circ} \mathrm{F}\right)$ Gas 3
2) Put the flour, sugar, baking powder, cinnamon and butter in a bowl and stir until you get a sandy consistency and the ingredients are combined (you can also use an electric mixer or a handheld whisk)
3) Gradually pour in the milk and mix until combined
4) Now stir in the pumpkin puree by hand until it combines with the cake mixture
5) Place 12 cupcake cases into a cupcake baking tin and spoon the mixture in until they're about two-thirds full
6) Put the cupcakes in your preheated oven and bake for around 20 minutes, or until golden
7) Leave the cupcakes to cool slightly in the tin before turning them out onto a wire rack to cool
8) When the cupcakes are cool, either pipe or spoon the cream cheese on the top to create your frosting
9) Eat and enjoy!

## Opportunities for Learning



Develop cooking skills: measuring, mixing, spooning and piping/spreading
Learning: ask children questions, such as:

- what numbers can you see on the scale?
- what colour is the pumpkin puree? How do they grow?
- what is butter made from?
- how many cupcake cases can you count?
- what happens when we put the cupcakes into the over?

